

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
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 GULER et al.) Confirmation No.: 9181
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 Application No.: 09/902,880) Examiner: Garg, Yogesh C.
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 Filing Date: July 10, 2001) Art Unit: 3625
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 For: METHOD FOR SETTING AN)
 OPTIMAL PREFERENCE)
 POLICY FOR AN AUCTION)
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 12/31/2007, applicant provides the following response.

RESPONSE TO DOUBLE PATENTING

The present office action states that Claims 1-7, 9-15 and 17-23 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over (i) claims 2-8, 10-16 and 18-27 claims of copending Application No. 09/902928 (ii) claims 1-23 of copending application 09/858251, (iii) claims 1-24 of copending application 09/903075 and (iv) claims 1-21 of copending application 09/955264.

Four (4) terminal disclaimers in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.321(c) are being submitted concurrent with the instant response, thereby obviating the double patenting rejection.

Respectfully submitted,

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